

NAVICPDA04 PRESERVATION AND PACKAGING FOR GENERAL PURPOSE ELECTRONIC TEST EQUIPMENT (GPETE) BUYS (MAY 1996)

A. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS - Preservation and packaging shall afford adequate protection against worldwide shipping, handling and storage conditions. MIL-STD-2073 methods/standards shall be used as a guideline. The supplier's commercial practice may be used when these requirements are fulfilled, with the following exceptions:

1. Unless specified, the supplier's bulk packaging is not considered adequate for U.S. Navy or Foreign Military Sales shipments. In lieu of specific instructions, ASTM-D-3951, Standard Practice for Commercial Packaging, may be used as a guideline to determine the quantity per unit pack.

2. As a minimum, electrostatic discharge sensitive (ESDS) devices shall have an initial wrap, bag, or pouch of electrostatic-protective material (MIL-B-81705, Type II or equivalent). An outer heat-sealed bag constructed from MIL-B-81705, Type I material is also recommended for items whose performance may be compromised by electrostatic or electromagnetic forces.

3. Items or packages that require packing for acceptance by a carrier shall be packed in exterior shipping containers in a manner that will ensure safe transportation, at the lowest rate, to the point of delivery. Hazardous material shall be packaged in accordance with the regulations of the mode of transportation used for shipment.

B. CONSOLIDATION PACKAGING - Consolidation of matched set items shall be accomplished as follows: Complete sets shall be packaged in the same container whenever possible; when a single container is not possible and dimensions allow, the sets shall be banded together to form a unit load. Containers shall be clearly marked to identify the number of packages in a set.

C. LOOSE-FILL MATERIALS - Shredded paper (newspaper, office scrap, computer sheets, waste paper, etc.) excelsior, polystyrene and other loose-fill materials are prohibited for use as cushioning/dunnage in all packaging and packing operations.

D. CAUTION MARKINGS FOR ASBESTOS ITEMS OR ITEMS CONTAINING ASBESTOS - In accordance with 29 CFR, a caution label shall be placed on all unit, intermediate and shipping containers for items containing asbestos in a form that can be inhaled. If furnished supplies require the asbestos caution label, the contractor shall notify the contract administrator prior to shipment of material.

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